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COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India exports tea to South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) countries;

(b) if so, the details of the total tea exported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;

(c) the total foreign exchange earned from the export of tea to SAARC countries and rest of the world, country-wise;

(d) whether the Government has fixed any target for the export of tea during the current financial year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and target achieved till the month of October, 2012?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Details are as follows:

	2009-10		2010-11		2011-12 (P)		2012-13 (P)#	
Countries	Qty (M.Kgs)	Value (Rs. Crs.)	Qty (M.Kgs)	Value (Rs. Crs.)	Qty (M.Kgs)	Value (Rs. Crs.)	Qty (M.Kgs)	Value (Rs. Crs.)
Sri Lanka	5.05	67.62	4.74	70.67	3.43	50.12	0.67	10.56
Maldives	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.04
Nepal	o.oo	0.09	0.10	1.40	0.03	0.49	0.07	O.11
Pakistan	8.31	78.89	22.08	132.63	26.08	176.81	9.19	77.37
Bangladesh	0.02	1.06	4.25	29.47	2.31	15.50	0.27	0.36
Afghanistan	13.33	98.16	5.19	36.09	0.69	7.14	0.25	2.85
TOTAL	26.71	245.86	36.36	270.31	32.54	250.12	10.45	91.29

`0` is less than 500. (P) -Provisional and subject to revision # For the period April to September 2012

(c): Foreign exchange earned from the export of tea to SAARC countries and rest of the world, over the last three years was as under :Â

value in M US$

Year	SAARC countries	Rest of the world	Total earnings
2009-10	51.60	586.20	637.80
2010-11	59.35	598.46	657.81
2011-12 (P)	52.23	618.72	670.95

The country wise details are given in Annexure-1.

(d) & (e): The target for tea exports fixed for the current financial year is 180 M.Kgs. The volume of tea exported from April to September, 2012 (2012-13) was 81.85 M.Kgs - (45%) valued at Rs.l 507.52 Crore.